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Document A10 discloses periodate-sensitive immunological cross-reactivity between keyhole limpet haemocyanin (KLH) and serodiagnostic schistosoma mansoni egg antigens.

Document A11 discloses sequence of the octopus dofleini hemocyanin subunit: structural and evolutionary implications.

Document A12 discloses primary structure and unusual carbohydrate moiety of functional unit 2-c of keyhole limpet hemocyanin (KLH).

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Document A13 discloses keyhole limpet hemocyanin Type 2 (KLH2): detection and immunolocalization of a labile functional unit h.

Document A14 discloses immunoelectron microscopy of hemocyanin from the keyhole limpet (*Megathura Crenulata*): a parallel subunit model.

Document A15 discloses cocaine vaccines: antibody protection against relapse in a rat model.

Document A16 discloses mass determination, subunit organization and control of oligomerization states of keyhole limpet hemocyanin (KLH).

Document A17 discloses suppression of psychoactive effects of cocaine by active immunization.

Document A18 discloses the sequence of a gastropod hemocyanin (HtH1 from *Haliotis Tuberculata*).

Document A19 discloses subunit organization of the abalone haliotis tuberculata hemocyanin type 2 (HtH2). and the cDNA sequence encoding its functional units d, e, f, g and h.

Document A20 discloses keyhole limpet hemocyanin: structural and functional characterization of two different subunits and multimers.

Document A21 discloses abalone (haliotis tuberculata) hemocyanin type 1

(HtH1) organization of the 400 kDa subunit and amino acid sequence of its functional units f, g and h.

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Document A22 discloses a keyhole limpet haemocyanin (KLH): purification of intact KLH1 through selective dissociation of KLH2.

Document A23 discloses a quaternary structure, subunits and domain patterns of two discrete forms of keyhole limpet hemocyanin: KLH1 and KLH2.

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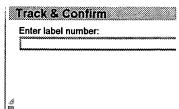
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